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Amendments to the Claims

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims:

Listing of Claims:

(currently amended) A computer implemented method of modeling information using a
combination of space and time relationships and hierarchical, semantic relationships, the method
comprising:

providing at least one database comprising a plurality of data elements, each of said data elements having a mechanism to contain a representation of data in a space and time relationship;

organizing each data element such that each data element may have at least one comprises a frame, each frame containing quantitative data along time and space axes, and such that each data element may have at least one comprises an event, each event configured so that it may be positioned along the time axis and include at least one including a hierarchical connection to at least one other of the plurality of data elements; and

wherein the hierarchical connection between each of the plurality of data elements is made through at least one event in each of two or more of the plurality of data elements with a link, the link defined by a link model, each link model categorizing data and indicating the purpose of the associated link.

- 2-35. (cancelled)
- 36. (new) A computer implemented data model for organizing a plurality of data elements, comprising:

a plurality of data elements, wherein each data element comprises:

a frame having quantitative data relating to the data element; and an event associated with the data element, wherein the event is defined in part by chronological data; and

a plurality of links, each link configured to associate a first data element and a second data element, wherein a link associates a particular event in the first data element with the same event in the second data element.